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Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has reviewed the performance of Export Promotion Council;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the shortcomings identified during the review;

(d) whether the Export Promotion Council helps only a few selected export houses;

(e) if so, the reaction of the Government thereto; and

(f) the reformation steps taken by the Government to improve the funding of EPCs?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI JAIRAM RAMESH)

(a) to (c) Performance of the Export Promotion Councils is reviewed periodically during a year with regards to export performance targets. Initiatives and activities of Export Promotion Councils such as participation in trade fairs, buyer seller meets, market access in focus areas etc. are also reviewed. During the review, Export Promotion Councils are urged to meet targets set under their annual action plans.

(d) No Sir.

(e) Does not arise.

(f) Government has restructured the Market Development Assistance Scheme to further facilitate Export Promotion Councils.